

**REMARKS**

Claims 2, 4-30 and 32-36 are pending in this application. Claims 10-14, 17, 18, 23-30, and 32-36 are withdrawn from consideration and claims 2, and 4-9 are objected to. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowance of claims 15, 16, 19-22 and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2 and 4-9. By this Amendment, claims 2, 4, and 5 have been rewritten in independent form and claims 1, 3, and 31 have been canceled without prejudice. The amendments made to the claims do not alter the scope of these claims, nor have these amendments been made to define over the prior art. Rather, the amendments to the claims have been made for cosmetic reasons to improve the form thereof. In light of the amendments and remarks set forth below, Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending claims is in immediate condition for allowance.

Claims 1, 3, and 31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,712,507 ("Eguchi"). Applicant has canceled claims 1, 3, and 31 rendering this rejection moot. As such, all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Applicants have responded to all of the rejections and objections recited in the Office Action. Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance for all of the pending claims are therefore respectfully requested.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If the Examiner believes an interview would be of assistance, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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